

## General Assembly

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LCO No. 2297

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

Introduced by: (JUD)

## AN ACT CONCERNING REGISTERED AGENTS OF FOREIGN CORPORATIONS AND THE FILING OF CERTAIN NOTICES AND REPORTS BY LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANIES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 33-926 of the general statutes is
- 2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective
- 3 October 1, 2002):
- 4 (a) Each foreign corporation authorized to transact business in this
- 5 state shall continuously maintain in this state: (1) A registered office
- 6 that may be the same as any of its places of business; and (2) a
- 7 registered agent at such registered office, who may be: (A) A natural
- 8 person who is a resident of this state; (B) a domestic corporation; [or]
- 9 (C) a corporation not organized under the laws of this state and which
- 10 has procured a certificate of authority to transact business in this state;
- 11 (D) a domestic limited liability company; or (E) a limited liability
- 12 <u>company not organized under the laws of this state and which has</u>
- 13 procured a certificate of registration to transact business in this state.
- Sec. 2. Subsection (a) of section 33-1216 of the general statutes is

repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2002*):

- (a) Each foreign corporation authorized to conduct affairs in this state shall continuously maintain in this state: (1) A registered office that may be the same as any of its offices; and (2) a registered agent at such registered office, who may be: (A) A natural person who is a resident in this state; (B) a domestic corporation or business corporation; [or] (C) a corporation or business corporation not organized under the laws of this state and which has procured a certificate of authority to conduct affairs or transact business in this state; (D) a domestic limited liability company; or (E) a limited liability company not organized under the laws of this state and which has procured a certificate of registration to transact business in this state.
- Sec. 3. Subsection (a) of section 34-112 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective* 30 October 1, 2002):
  - (a) Fees for filing documents and issuing certificates: (1) Filing application to reserve a limited liability company name or to cancel a reserved limited liability company name, thirty dollars; (2) filing transfer of reserved limited liability company name, thirty dollars; (3) filing articles of organization, including appointment of statutory agent, sixty dollars; (4) filing change of address of statutory agent or change of statutory agent, twenty-five dollars; (5) filing notice of resignation of statutory agent in duplicate, twenty-five dollars; (6) filing amendment to articles of organization, sixty dollars; (7) filing restated articles of organization, sixty dollars; (8) filing articles of merger or consolidation, thirty dollars per each limited liability company; (9) filing articles of dissolution by resolution, twenty-five dollars; (10) filing articles of dissolution by expiration, twenty-five dollars; (11) filing judicial decree of dissolution, twenty-five dollars; (12) filing certificate of reinstatement, sixty dollars; (13) filing application by a foreign limited liability company for certificate of

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- 47 registration to transact business in this state and issuing certificate of registration, sixty dollars; (14) filing application of foreign limited 48 49 liability company for amended certificate of registration to transact 50 business in this state and issuing amended certificate of registration, 51 sixty dollars; (15) filing application for withdrawal of foreign limited 52 liability company and issuing certificate of withdrawal, sixty dollars; 53 (16) filing an annual report, ten dollars; and (17) filing an interim 54 notice of change of manager or member, ten dollars.
- Sec. 4. Subsection (c) of section 34-229 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2002*):
- 58 (c) Each annual report shall set forth: (1) The name of the foreign 59 limited liability company and, if different, the name under which such 60 foreign limited liability company transacts business in this state, [and] 61 (2) the address of the office required to be maintained in the state or 62 other jurisdiction of the foreign limited liability company's 63 organization by the laws of that state or jurisdiction or, if not so 64 required, the address of its principal office, and (3) the name and 65 respective business and residence addresses of a manager or a member of the foreign limited liability company, except that, if good cause is 66 67 shown, the Secretary of the State may accept a business address in lieu 68 of the business and residence addresses of such manager or member. 69 For the purposes of this subsection, a showing of good cause shall 70 include, but not be limited to, a showing that public disclosure of the 71 residence address of the manager or member of the foreign limited liability company may expose the personal security of such manager or 72 73 member to significant risk.
- Sec. 5. (NEW) (Effective October 1, 2002) (a) When the manager or member of a domestic or foreign limited liability company named in its most current annual report pursuant to subsection (c) of section 34-106 of the general statutes, as amended, or subsection (c) of section 34-229 of the general statutes, as amended by this act, changes after the

domestic or foreign limited liability company has filed such annual report, and not later than thirty days preceding the month during which the domestic or foreign limited liability company's next annual report becomes due, the domestic or foreign limited liability company shall file with the Secretary of the State an interim notice of change of manager or member that sets forth: (1) The name of the domestic or foreign limited liability company, and (2) the name, title and respective business and residence addresses of the new manager or member and the name and title of the former manager or member. If good cause is shown, the Secretary of the State may accept a business address in lieu of the business and residence addresses of the manager or member of the domestic or foreign limited liability company. For the purposes of this section, a showing of good cause shall include, but not be limited to, a showing that public disclosure of the residence address of the manager or member of the domestic or foreign limited liability company may expose the personal security of such manager or member to significant risk.

(b) Any changes to the manager or member of a domestic or foreign limited liability company that occur within the thirty-day period preceding the month during which the domestic or foreign limited liability company's annual report becomes due shall be reflected on the domestic or foreign limited liability company's next annual report filed pursuant to section 34-106 of the general statutes, as amended, or section 34-229 of the general statutes, as amended by this act.

This act shall take effect as follows:	
Section 1	October 1, 2002
Sec. 2	October 1, 2002
Sec. 3	October 1, 2002
Sec. 4	October 1, 2002
Sec. 5	October 1, 2002

## Statement of Purpose:

To authorize the appointment of limited liability companies as registered agents for foreign corporations, to require the reporting of

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managers of foreign limited liability companies in the same manner as current reporting requirements for domestic limited liability companies and to establish requirements for the filing of interim notices of change of manager or member by domestic and foreign limited liability companies.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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